

Lakewood Baptist Church
December 11-17, 2016

Growth Group Questions

1. In what areas of your life and heart do you need to again hear the words, "Your sins are forgiven"?
2. When was the last time you considered your own moments of healing under the power of Christ?
3. Read Mark 2:1-12. What comments, thoughts, or questions do you have after reading these verses?
4. Reflect on how Jesus has changed your heart. How is your heart today different than it was 5 years ago? 10 years ago? How has He healed you?
5. In what ways is sin like paralysis?
6. Why did Jesus say the man's sins were forgiven before He gave him physical healing?
7. What freedoms do we have when Jesus forgives us for our sins?
8. What do you need to do this week to respond to God's Word and His desire for us to be more like His Son, Jesus?
9. As a small group or with a couple of friends, pray for a great and richer understanding of the profound implications of the gospel. Ask that the Lord would open your eyes to behold the wondrous glory of the Son who gave His life to save sinners.

MESSAGE NOTES
Reprieve

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Mark 2:1-12

Needing Jesus' forgiveness is not a sign that God is angry with you, it's a sign that you're human.

Jesus is _____ of forgiveness

Jesus' forgiveness is both _____ and

We don't have to _____ Jesus'
forgiveness

There is _____ forgiveness _____ from
Jesus Christ

Forgiveness is an act of _____